

Selected BLS Economic Indicators



Albany-Schenectady-Troy

Selected Indicators

This fact sheet presents recent **employment and unemployment** figures for the Rochester Metropolitan Statistical Area, New York State, and the United States. The **Consumer Price Index (CPI)** measures price changes or inflation for particular commodities and services at the retail level. The **Producer Price Index (PPI)** measures price changes or inflation for particular commodities and services at the wholesale level and is widely used by business firms as an escalator in long-term contracts. The **Employment Cost Index (ECI)** measures price changes or inflation of labor costs which includes wages and salaries and employer costs for employee benefits.

Consumer Price Index (1982-84) = 100	July 2005	July 2006	Percent change
All Urban Consumers (CPI-U)			
U.S. City Average	195.4	203.5	4.1
Northeast	207.9	217.5	4.6
Urban Wage Earners & Clerical Workers			
U.S. City Average	191.0	199.2	4.3
Northeast	204.0	213.5	4.7
Producer Price Index, U.S. (1982 = 100)	July 2005	July 2006^(p)	Percent change
Finished goods	155.5	162.0	4.2
All commodities	156.3	167.1	6.9
Industrial commodities	159.1	171.6	7.9

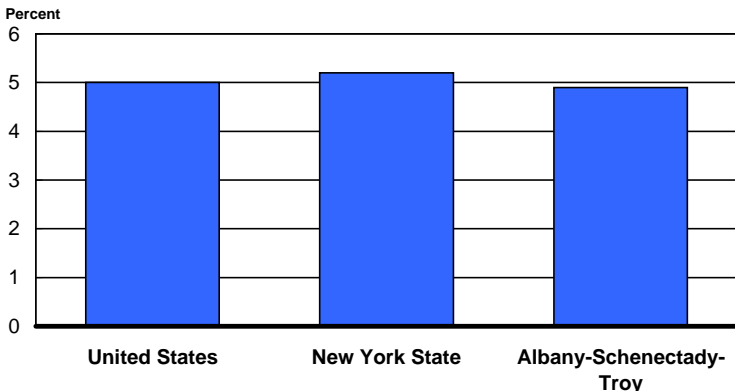
p = preliminary

Unemployment levels, age 16 years and over (not seasonally adjusted, in thousands)

Area	July 2005	July 2006 ^(p)	Net change	Percent change
United States	7,839.0	7,602.0	-237.0	-3.0
New York State	489.8	502.3	12.5	2.6
Albany-Schenectady-Troy	18.5	19.6	1.1	5.9

p = preliminary

Unemployment rates, United States, New York State, and Albany-Schenectady-Troy Metropolitan Statistical Area (not seasonally adjusted, July 2006)



Employment Cost Index (December 2005 = 100)	June 2005	June 2006	Percent change
Total Compensation-Private Industry			
United States	98.9	101.7	2.8
Northeast	98.5	101.8	3.4
Occupational Wages (selected occupations)	Mean hourly wage (May 2005)		
Albany-Schenectady-Troy			
Education, training, and library	\$21.56		
Healthcare practitioner and technical	27.93		
Food preparation and serving related	9.09		
Sales and related	14.89		
Office and administrative support	14.66		
Construction and extraction	19.48		
Installation, maintenance, and repair	18.37		
Production	15.20		
Transportation and material moving	14.82		

Nonfarm payroll employment (not seasonally adjusted, in thousands)

Area	July 2005	July 2006 ^(p)	Net change	Percent change
United States	133,413.0	135,174.0	1,761.0	1.3
New York State	8,524.3	8,610.3	86.0	1.0
Albany-Schenectady-Troy	445.5	447.8	2.3	0.5

p = preliminary

Albany-Schenectady-Troy MSA payroll employment by major industry sector (not seasonally adjusted, in thousands)

Industry	July 2005	July 2006 ^(p)
Total nonfarm	445.5	447.8
Construction and mining	19.8	20.2
Manufacturing	23.5	22.5
Trade, transportation and utilities	80.0	79.9
Professional and business	53.2	54.9
Financial activities	26.9	26.5
Education and health services	76.2	75.4
Government	103.0	104.1

p = preliminary

Note: Total includes industries not shown separately.

Contact Information:

Telephone: (212) 337-2400
 Fax-on-Demand: (212) 337-2412
 Internet Address: <http://www.bls.gov/ro2/home.htm>
 E-mail Address: BLSinfoNY@bls.gov

Mailing Address:

U.S. Department of Labor
 Bureau of Labor Statistics
 Economic Analysis & Information
 201 Varick Street, Room 808
 New York, NY 10014

The Albany-Schenectady-Troy Metropolitan Statistical

Area comprises Albany, Montgomery, Rensselaer, Saratoga, Schenectady, and Schoharie Counties. **The Northeast Census Region** comprises Connecticut, Maine, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New York, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island and Vermont.

Updated September 8, 2006